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ANNE EUGENIA MORGAN.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Academic Council at its regular meeting on January 28, 1910:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That we, the members of the Academic Council, desire to express our grateful sense of the service rendered to the College by Anne Eugenia F. Morgan, Professor of Philosophy, 1878-1900. The debt to her work in this department must be measured partly by the disheartening difficulties against which she patiently struggled in the earlier period of its history, and partly by the long list of students in whom her carefully-wrought beliefs, her originality of expression, and her single-minded allegiance to whatever is highest, sowed seeds of thought and life that blossomed and bore fruit in later years. Her personal character left its impress on the whole college. A great, sweet optimism, grounded on Christian faith, pervaded all her speech and conduct. Dignity, courage, kindliness, generosity were with her like an atmosphere. Her uncompromising devotion to the ideal gave birth to noble indignations and to stern self-control in all things great and small, but was kept far removed from aseeticism by her passion for beauty and for free, full, joyous life. Her passage away from earth brings a vivid reminder of the permanent enriehment that has come through her to the college to whieh she unreservedly gave her best years.

Resolved, that these resolutions be entered in the minutes of the Academie Council and that a copy be sent to her family with assurance of our sympathy.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONSUMERS' LEAGUE.

The annual meeting of the Consumers' League held in College Hall Chapel, Monday evening, January thirty-first, was addressed by Mrs. Clark (Sue B. Ainslee, '03) on the problem, "How Working Girls in New York Live," followed by Miss Rose Schneiderman, who spoke of the shirt-waist strike in New York.

Mrs. Clark, who has devoted a great deal of time to the study of the conditions of the working girl, gave a most graphie and detailed aecount of how these girls, wholly dependent upon their earnings, are forced to live. Before describing their life she defined "living" as including proper nourishment, clothing and housing with some leisure time. This is obviously not synonymous with a mere existenee comprehending erowded quarters, bad air, food insufficient to restore energy to the tired body, unreceptive minds, night work and the continual fear of illness and premature old age with depleted energies and no provision for the future. In describing in detail how these girls "exist," Mrs. Clark spoke first of the immigrant who. with neither means, command of the language nor knowledge of the standard of living, is wholly at the mercy of unscrupulous employers. To give a faint idea of how such a girl lives, it is necessary to sketch only one of Mrs. Clark's several cases. A girl receiving barely more than three dollars a week, lives as a lodger in a tenement at three dollars a week. She sleeps in the kitchen and general living room of the family. She takes her morning and evening meals with the family, and lunches at noon on a roll or some fruit, if she indulges in lunch at all. She works sixty-six hours a week, sixty being the legal maximum, walks to and from work, does her own laundry and sewing. There is a possibility of advancement to six dollars, but no hope after that as there are too many younger hands always eager to begin.

To this same group of unskilled workers belong the shop girls, cash girls and girls in the auditing departments of large stores. They are those receiving from three to six dollars a week, forced to exist under the same conditions, or, even aided by philanthropie homes, unable to live well. The skilled workers possess one advantage over the unskilled in being able to raise their wages, but in so doing they encounter the vital evil of speeding beyond their physical limit. The result is physical and mental collapse. But even under the piece-work system the employer is able to regulate the wages, and thus counteract any added skill on the worker's part. Thus, by citing many examples Mrs. Clark pointed out the impossibility of living wholesome lives on these meager wages. She indicated the grave physical, mental and moral results to the community at large.

Competition from above by one employer competing against another, and from below by the number of workers, is one of the reasons for the existence of such conditions. Another is the faet that the workers are women whose eagerness to please sets this pace that kills. The Consumers' League has bettered conditions somewhat, but the impulse toward reform must come from the workers. This power belonging to organization on the part of the laborers has been duly demonstrated in the shirt-waist strike in New York.

Miss Schneiderman then explained how these girls have carried on the strike. This spirit of organization cheeked and blocked by the employer at last gained the proportion of the present union, which was able to call out thirty thousand girls. Baeked by the union, they have been able to demand effectually certain terms, comprising a raise in wages, a fifty-two-hour week, no Sunday work, night work limited to two hours and only on eertain days, the abolition of sub-contracting and the recognition of the union. That the recognition of these terms by the employer means a more comfortable life is clearly seen. Miss Schneiderman emphasized especially the value of the recognition of the union as binding the girls together and fostering social intercourse. Up to date the strike has been a victory. Of the thirty thousand girls ealled out all but twenty-five hundred have been taken back upon the terms demanded. The fact that fifteen hundred Philadelphia girls walked out rather than do the work sent from New York by the manufacturers unwilling to come to terms, only goes to show how every one is united in this great struggle for recognition of right and better citizenship.

After Miss Schneiderman's address the meeting adjourned informally to the Faculty Parlor, where Miss Best, Mrs. Clark and Miss Schneiderman discussed the strike problem and the possibility of Wellesley girls ordering shirt-waists if the movement for a co-operative shirt-waist factory to give employment to the still unemployed, materializes.

M. R.

SOCIETY CONGRESS.

The Society Congress held its first meeting February 5, 1910, at President Hazard's house, with Miss Hazard in the ehair. Every delegate was present. The idea of abolishing the societies was not held in favor by any member of the Congress, but some changes in the societies were favored by all. The following vote was passed: "Resolved, that in the opinion of this conference reform in the organization of the societies at Wellesley is desirable." Advantages and disadvantages were discussed and plans were suggested, but the matter of definite change was left to the next meeting to be held February 26, 1910. A full report of the discussion will be printed in next week's NEWS.

MARY W. DEWSON,
Secretary of the Congress.

OPINIONS ON THE SOCIETY QUESTION.

On account of the great number of artieles on the society question which have been contributed for publication in the already overcrowded Free Press column, and on account of the delay occasioned in printing these, the NEWS is requesting that all such contributions be sent to representatives in the Society Congress. This will bring new points and new opinions into direct use, and will obviate repetition and reduplication in the Free Press column.

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EDITORIAL.

FROM THE SHADOW to the harsh reality,—midyears are upon us and Wellesley is a waste-heap of energy. However well done your work, however scholarly your attitude toward the February bugbear, you cannot find those ten days essentially restful. Even if you should decide to be unperturbed, a dozen fanatics will pounce upon you with the determination that you shall not be unperturbed and arouse you with: "Do you think she'll ask this?" Midyears is a trying, irritating ordeal; and most of its evils arise from the inevitable centering of your interests on yourself. For ten days you think about nothing but yourself; your one aim is absorption of knowledge for your own salvation;—reserve shelf books, your roommate, your meals,—everything exists only in relation to yourself and your examination. That's what makes you so cross. The most ardent self-spectator sickens after ten days of such assiduous application to self-interests. It's a frightful outlook. But it might be alleviated. We wouldn't be quite so disagreeable if there wasn't so much racket in the hall; we might not waste valuable time raging impotently at the girl who has managed a corner on the reserve shelf books.

These considerations bring us face to face with that necessity —regard for humanity— which alone can make midyears a cheerful success. For instance, in your haste to gulp down four or five weeks' required reading in a few hours, it is rather unmindful of the other gulpers to keep the book all day. Neither is it just conducive to good temper on the part of the anxious onlooker, to pile three reserve shelf books before you with a monopolistic air of triumph, and leisurely to increase your store of knowledge while baffled ones return from the contemplation of the reserve shelf by the score. Neither is it humane to get a seat in that library where seats at this time are rare, fling your coat over the back or leave your note-book on the table, and then go up to your room and spend half an hour. Twenty people sit on the floor while you "save your seat." To take home a book which is not reserved, but which you know has been used in the course and is needed by every other member of your class for reference,—this will, perchance, insure you credit of the material sort; but it ought to leave you with a burdened conscience. We need not blacken again the sin of her who takes the reserve shelf book out of the library,—the perpetrator of that deed truly deserves the lowest place in the inferno to which the abusers of midyears are destined.

But we do not live all our laborious days in the library. We still have the opportunity at this season to call down daily imprecations on the dormitory system. Contempt born of familiarity with busy signs makes your unwelcome guest disregard the placard on your door, however appalling it may be, however much time you spent in manufacturing it. Perhaps she comes in to review just a little with your roommate. They sit and ask each other questions—which they never answer,—until you become frenzied from the strain of "concentrating." Perhaps the visitor is the whining individual who wants the notes for the classes she has cut, or the outlines she never copied, or the resumé of the books she never read. If this, Reader, is your visitor, parch her with a look and send her creeping out empty-handed!

And now the most exasperating circumstance of all,—the six or seven girls vociferating wildly in the hall, perhaps about half-past eleven in the morning, telling what they could answer and what they couldn't, shrieking unanimously with nervous, high-pitched voices, all unmindful that you, behind the closed door bearing the busy sign, have an examination that afternoon. Those disturbers of the peace should be put in pillory. There is, however, the satisfying thought that the same annoyance will meet them when they attempt to study for their next examination, but we have the feeling that someone is getting more than she deserves,—probably the College Hall girl who has to hear groups hurtling forth with excited murmurings from the class-room across the hall or loudly expostulating in Center.

These, these are the offenses which make midyears unbearable! And these, heedless one, we beg you to regard. We do not tell you not to cram, not to drink tea and coffee, and act absurdly—your instructor has emphasized all that, but we do plead for—nay, we sternly demand in these smaller matters on which we have touched, human consideration. Remember there are unwritten library rules. Stay in your own room and study. Don't make dinner time a burden by reciting verbs and dates. And above all, for the sake of threadbare nerves, don't shriek!

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COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Wednesday, February 9. The opening of the Midyear Period.

Thursday, February 10, at 4.20, P.M. The second organ recital in the chapel.

Sunday, February 13, at 11, A.M. Service in the Houghton Memorial Chapel. Sermon by the Reverend Edward F. Sanderson of Providence, Rhode Island.

Evening at 7 o'clock. Vespers with special music.

COLLEGE NOTES.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Equal Suffrage League held February 3, it was decided to post a copy of the constitution and lists for membership application. It is desired that everyone in college should know the true object of the league, "to promote an intelligent interest in equal suffrage," so that not only its advocates but those interested in the movement may become affiliated with the organization here.

Miss Walmsley led an expedition from the Economics Department to Needham on Monday, January 31, to visit the Carter Knitting Mills.

The second class tea for 1911 was given by Christine Myrick, the president, at Agora House, Wednesday, February second.

The Equal Suffrage Travelling Library, promised at the last meeting of the League, has arrived and been placed at the disposal of the college in the Newspaper Room.

ORGAN RECITAL.

At the first of Professor MacDougall's midyear organ recitals, given on Thursday afternoon in the Memorial Chapel, the program consisted entirely of the works of Boston organists. The first number, a sonata by Whiting, was especially interesting in its use of the seventh Gregorian tone, which gave a strangely archaic atmosphere to the composition. There was no pause between its two movements, the adagio and the allegro con brio. As the names would indicate, these movements are contrasted in tempo and in mood: the first, sustained, plaintive, religious, seeming to hint in its bursts of more passionate motion of the more emotional and vivacious allegro which follows. The second number was very lovely in its melodious quality. The variations were six in number, working up to a climax in the fourth, in which the tone is louder and the harmonies fuller and richer than in the others. The lyric character of the melody was very noticeable in each variation; a simple statement of the theme ended the composition. The third number, a postlude by Burdette, was built on a strongly rhythmed theme, which was constantly repeated throughout the work. The harmonies were dissonant, often crashing, and the general character was restless and emotional.

In the second part of the program, the selections seemed less distinctly religious in tone than the preceding. The Allegretto by Arthur Foote was quiet, in the middle section, even hushed—but there breathed throughout an air of enjoyment and simple pleasure.

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It was very regular in form, an A part, in which the rhythm was important, a less energetic B part, with the conventional return of the A.

The last selection, a Processional, by Whitney, formed a splendid climax to the program. Here the rhythm was vigorous, the harmonies rich and full. It had two themes, which kept reappearing in rapid succession throughout the work. The mood was jubilant; even in the quieter second part, a very joyous little figure contradicted the more thoughtful theme. The Processional ended in a high, full and inspiring chord.

STUDENTS' RECITAL.

The regular Students' Recital at Billings Hall, Tuesday afternoon, February 1, fell far short of the attendance which the excellent program merited. The skilfully executed piano selections were both appealing, though brilliant, and in striking contrast to the plaintive first movement of the violin selection; the latter parts of this were in quick, fascinating dance rhythm, and the whole was performed in masterly fashion.

The following is the program:

PIANO: Polonaise in C sharp minor.....Chopin
Miss Hazel M. Lockwood, 1912.

VIOLIN: Scene de Ballet.....de Beriot
Miss Mary Welles, 1911.

PIANO: First movement from Concerto in A minor, Schumann
Miss Edith Sweetser, 1910.
(With second piano.)

RECITAL.

Miss Hetty Shepard Wheeler, Soprano.
Mr. Clarence Grant Hamilton, Pianist.
Tuesday, February 8, 1910, at 4.20, P.M.

PROGRAM.

VOICE: The Robin Sings in the Apple Tree.....MacDowell
In the Woods.....MacDowell
Herbstgefuhl.....Ethelbery Nevin
A Little Fleet of Cloud Boats.....Woodforde-Finden
Marchioness, Your Dancing.....Gaston Lemaire

PIANO: Chaconne.....Chaminade
Intermezzo. Op. 143.....Godar
Reflets dans l'eau.....Debussy
The Little Shepherd } from the
The Golliwogg's Cakewalk } "Children's Corner,"
Debussy

VOICE: Bird Songs.....Liza Lehmann
The Wood Pigeon.
The Starling.
The Yellow Hammer.
The Wren.
The Owl.

PIANO: Barcarolle in A minor.....Rubinstein
Etude on false notes.....Rubinstein

LOST.

The reference book—Capier-bibliographie des Cours 11, 12, 23, 21.

This course book is greatly needed for final papers due February 9th.

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DEBATING CLUB.

On Tuesday evening, February 1, the Debating Club met at the Shakespeare House. In the absence of the president, Maxcy Robeson was appointed president pro tem., and Myra Morgan, secretary. The subject for debate was: Resolved, that woman should have the ballot. This consideration was limited to the United States. The affirmative was supported by Ruth Crossman and Helen Paul, and the negative by Abby Brooks and Mary Burd. In awarding the decision to the affirmative, Miss Haskell criticised the debate for speciousness. She urged the granting of such unfavorable points as cannot be disproved, a deeper and more exhaustive development of the main issues and the refutation, point by point, of the opponents' arguments. Miss Haskell commended the enthusiasm of all the debators and the able refutation of the negative.

The list of new members, as accepted January 21 by the Directors of the club, was read as follows: Kathleen Burnett, Ruth Curtis, Ruth Haven, Mildred Knowlton, Constance Hungerford, Stella Obst, Gertrude M. Robeson, Bertha Robinson, Marion Smith and Leslie Whittlesey.

The subject of the informal debate was: Resolved, that societies as they are at present at Wellesley should be abolished. It was decided not to discuss plans for reconstruction, but whether societies here are founded on a right principle and do good or harm to the college. The meeting was adjourned after a vigorous discussion, unfinished for lack of time.

THE PROFESSIONAL SPIRIT IN TEACHING.

On Saturday, February 29, Professor William T. Foster of Bowdoin College, who is this year Fellow in Education at Columbia University, delivered an interesting lecture to the students of education on the subject, "The Professional Spirit in Teaching." After emphasizing the importance of professional preparation on the part of prospective teachers, Professor Foster proceeded to a discussion of the compensations offered to the teacher. The low salaries at present attached to public school positions, the lack of social prestige, and various other unattractive features of educational work were briefly sketched, and the causes analyzed. To offset these disadvantages the lecturer portrayed the tremendous opportunity for social service which the schoolroom offers, and the chance for the exercise of all one's highest powers in the training of our future citizens. The lecture closed with an earnest appeal to prospective teachers that they should enter upon their work with high ideals and earnestness of purpose, feeling that to teach is one of the highest privileges that can be offered to any human being.

THEATERS.

HOLLIS-STREET: Maud Adams.
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"For evening functions there are gorgeous creations of satin and messaline made in the latest mode and worn with light evening cloaks.

"Sensible underwear, mackintoshes and rubbers are absolutely out of date.

"The frequent giving of flowers by one girl to another, especially at class and fraternity elections, is a serious matter. One popular girl received a roomful of flowers of the most expensive kind on her birthday.

"The florist's bills are out of all proportion to a girl's legitimate expenses.

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And bawling and calling
And talking and knocking—
And so never ending, (though never intending)
Voices and lecture forever are blending,
And still never o'er, this mighty uproar,
And this way all Wellesley goes by the door.

INVICTA.

Out of the six that have harassed me,
Marked by a pause 'twixt cram and cram,—
I thank whatever powers there be
That this is my last exam.

Beyond this week of cold hard facts
Looms but a slip of blue,
Yet none shall say I haven't done
The durndest I could do.

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Why doth the busy Mid-year-ite
Delight to shriek and bray,
To gather knowledge all the night
And shout it out by day?

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Undergraduates will say, when they see this letter, "Another Alumna heard from!" Yes, that is it. And I want, if you will give me the opportunity, to add a confession to the society question.

Several years ago at an Alumnæ breakfast in June, I gave my testimony against society evils. I was asked to do it, and it was a hard, heart-breaking thing to do. May I repeat now the fundamental thought of what I said then? Any social life which derives its prestige from its exclusiveness is wrong. It is anti-social, for any social relationship which is worth the name always has as its basis "the square deal." And the square deal is a principle which, however much some of us may have aspired to it personally, has never been at the root of society life.

If we knew ourselves better, were braver in our self-scrutiny, all our sophistical wrigglings this way and that would but prove a guilty conscience and not the divine right of societies to exist. Where there is much smoke it is fairly certain that there is some fire. Each one of us knows well enough that that "fire" is the seed of our own selfishness, our own self-importance.

Personally I hold that the societies are the means of the social downfall of many a society girl. A student capable of finer action is brought by the societies to consider herself, to value her own or the aggregate importance of her society beyond any other good. She does not think first of the college at large. Some of us have thought that we did, but that is merely a trite phrase on the lips of students who are too busy or too anæmic or too selfish to do their own thinking. And which one of us is not guilty of such lack of courage? Who of us all does not know that pitiful eagerness to prove that a dear wish because we think it "nice" is therefore right? Thanks to Webster and Murray, there is no dictionary in the land which will give "nice" as a synonym for right.

Please let me say before I go any further, for the easing of my own conscience, that I think of myself as a double distilled essence of guilt in this whole matter. Take these words as a confession. I am not trying to strike anyone else, but if in hitting myself someone else is struck, that is simply because we are all human. It is no pleasure to find fault; a "dead self" or a mistake is a sufficiently pitiable object to make fault-finding a rather dreary business. Nothing is to be gained in this question from intemperate or ugly feelings and words.

In this confession let me tell you as simply as I can what my experience was. First I was put through an ordinary amount of rushing which lowered my standard from A to C. However, that is no great matter. I have seen enough of records to hold them when they are so plentiful rather cheap. Then I chose my society. If anything bad can ever be called good, I still consider this one as good as any. I entered on initiation ecstasies. Do you know that rapturous, that silly, selfish, self-important feeling, good sisters? Do you know those ridiculous, sentimental vows and bonds, good sisters? Do you recollect that your pin—your sacred, selfish little pin—seemed like a headlight as you wore it the next day and days after the divine frenzy of initiation, good sisters?

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Well, I stepped up into a society and my ideals slipped down. No matter about the records—those had to be retrieved after I left college. With my membership I came into an inheritance, an inheritance hundreds of silly girls were craving—I not least among them. I inherited "privileges" which I had not won by hard work, and which I continued to merit only by working less and less all the time. I inherited friendships which were not mine by any law of common interests, and which I was sure were going to last not merely through this trivial life, but through cosmogonies undreamed of. I inherited enmities, too. No society worthy the name is without a fine large growth of enmities, testifying that the society loam is fruitful. I inherited dignities till finally the society gave me the highest dignity it had to confer.

And how did I feel all this time? I felt guilty. I knew that my ideals had been lowered and that my progress was a progress of infirmities based on selfishness and sentimentality, that as I stepped up and up-per in the society, those poor struggling, begging things, my ideals, were slipping further and further away from me. I was alive to broad social interests and did what I could for settlement work. I wanted to make friends elsewhere. I grieved over my work. But, you see, there was that noble society vow which absorbed much of my physical time and emotional energy. Doubtless I was weaker than many girls who would have been strong enough to overcome every difficulty. But are there not some girls like that girl I once was? I would not be impatient with them now, but are they not impatient with themselves? Don't they feel sometimes as if they were struggling for more air, and would like to pitch their society symbols and some of their sisters, too, out of the windows, and then jump after? Well, anyway, I did.

I am amused now when I hear it said that it is difficult for the non-society girl to go back to college because there is no one to welcome her. What of the memory and presence of the instructors who gave you what you came for? Can you ever forget them? And what of the friendships in which you were happily true to your better or best self? And what about that beautiful outdoor world which will never betray you? I smile when I hear that it is difficult for the non-society girl, for I think it is even more difficult for some society girls. It makes one ache to think of meeting that host of dust-dragged ideals, to see that house one helped to build, to take any part in "privileges" which have turned into social ignominy.

No, the ideal Wellesley is without this "privilege" for the few which shuts a door on the many, which keeps work up or down, whichever you will, to C grade; and which fosters insidious weaknesses. Wellesley's high and holy things lie not in such exclusions, in silly vows or forced and selfish friendships, but in the wise, brave, kind and self-forgetful life of the whole college, in the inspiration of the class-room, in friendships based on common interests and congenial temperaments, and in that out-of-door world where one may always find rebuke for littleness and mandate for a higher life.

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II.

Apropos of some of the remarks made in a Free Press article of January 26, I wish to state that I never thought of the possibility even, of having an argumentative weight of lead attached to my featherlight joke on "housework" in societies.

I furthermore wish to say that I see no very serious objection to work in the societies—if societies must be—as long as such work remains a private society matter, or is kept within such limits as shall preclude the grant of quasi representative public performances. It is these (inclusive of the large income that some of them yield) that give a prominence to a society which, as an exclusive and non-academic body, it ought not to have in our democratic world of intellectual pursuits. Let the conditions of membership be changed, let representative performances be really representative of the best talent and intellect of the college at large—and one of the most vital objections to secret societies at Wellesley will be removed. M. MULLER.

III.

In our concern for the non-society girl, her injured feelings and her sense of loss, we have overlooked the injury, no less serious, wrought in the society member by her consciousness of exclusive privilege all undeserved. Not a few such privileged ones have confessed in later years that the society bond belied their highest convictions. A college community should be an intellectual democracy, a commonwealth where brains and character open every door. Is this an impractical ideal? But college is the habitat for ideals, all the more to be cherished when difficult to realize in the outside world. What is the effect of organized snobbishness, an exclusiveness based on personal likes and dislikes, not on achievement. Does it make for fellowship in the deepest sense, the kindling consciousness of common interests and common aims? The privileges of wealth, of social power, of artistic endowment may be shared, and the happy possessor be enriched in the giving. Not so the assumed privileges of an exclusive set. The really potential man or woman sets up no artificial barrier between himself and his fellows.

Our societies are delightful centers of social activity. We could ill spare them from the college life. But let us clear them from the taint of snobbery. Let us determine on a basis of membership that shall deliver both the society and the non-society girl from the embarrassing sense of a needless injustice. Let us be done, once for all, with rushing and the rules to prevent it, with make-believe work and ostentatious enjoyment. Let us make our society privilege consistent with academic traditions of democracy and fraternity.

Suppose society membership were treated as a junior and senior privilege and every upper class student were free to choose a society whose work lay along the line of one of her major electives? We might need more societies and more society houses, but these are not insuperable difficulties. KATHARINE COMAN.

IV.

The Music Department of Wellesley offers quite unusual opportunities to those students interested in music. The number of those who profess themselves enthusiastically musical in dinner-table conversation is large indeed; but the number of those who sacrifice fudge cake at the Inn or a lazy hour in their room for Students' Recital or the Symphony Lecture is pitiably small. The Students' Recital always has an interesting program and even though the performers are not mature they are much better, much more alive in understanding than the ordinary parlor performer to whom the musical person listens with delight. To those who would still affect a superior indifference to the Students' Recital, I would point out the Wednesday afternoon Symphony Lectures. A more pleasantly "improving" lecture it would be difficult to find; you don't realize at all the suggestive value of it until you are fortunate enough to go to a Symphony; but you do realize that you have gained a new point of view musically—a wider insight each time, and that by listening to an informal, interestingly personal discussion. Awake, you devotees of an abstract culture, and get something that is worth while.

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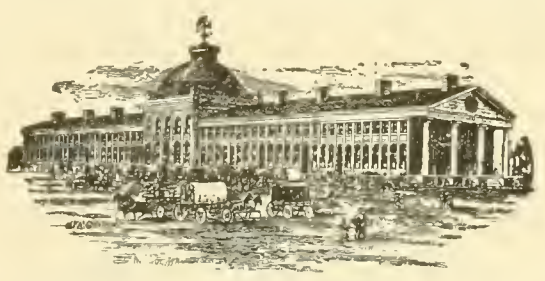

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ALUMNÆ NOTES.

In addition to notes concerning graduates, the Alumnæ column will contain items of interest about members of the Faculty, past and present, and former students.

Miss Jeannette Marks, 1900, is arranging, with Miss Julia Moody of Mount Holyoke College, a series of stories explaining simple types of animal and plant life. "A Holiday with the Birds," and "Little Busybodies," (crickets, ants, bees, beetles, etc.), have already been published, and others in preparation are "Hatching Water Babies," "Crusty Cousins," "Shell Dwellers and Urchins," "Little Mammals," and "Flowers and Flower Life." These are published by Harpers'.

Miss Ruth Pierson, formerly of 1908, is working this year in the bacteriological laboratory of the State Board of Health at Huntington Chambers, Boston.

Mrs. Alice Vant George, 1887, goes to England soon as the representative of the anti-suffragists of this country.

Miss Louise Thiery, 1909, is engaged in library work in the Public Library at Somerville, Massachusetts.

Miss Nelson E. Robertson, 1909, is spending the winter in Santa Monica, California.

Miss Genevieve Jacoby, 1909, is teaching English and German in the high school at Stamford, New York.

Miss Katharine Noreross, 1909, is doing graduate work in zoology at Chicago University.

Miss Elizabeth Hazeltine, M. A., 1900, is at the head of the French Department in Lake Erie College, Painesville, Ohio.

Miss Alice Hazeltine, 1900, is this year in Lancaster, Massachusetts, on leave of absence from the Washington Irving High School of New York City.

Miss Henrietta Kilbourn, of the class of 1903, B. A. 1906, Beloit, is now combining the duties of assistant registrar and assistant in the biological laboratory at Beloit College, Beloit, Wisconsin.

Miss Florence McMahon, of the class of 1903, is teaching in the Worcester (Massachusetts) Classical High School.

Mrs. Carol Aronovici (Florence Parsons, of the class of 1903, B. A., Cornell, 1905), is assistant to her husband, the head worker at Union Settlement, Providence, Rhode Island.

Miss Susan Lane, of the class of 1903, is a trained nurse at 33 Union Street, Montclair, New Jersey.

ENGAGEMENTS.

Miss Bertha Robinson, of the class of 1911, to Mr. Arthur W. MacLean.

Miss Edna Marion Wood, 1909, to Mr. Cecil King Blanchard, Amherst, 1908, of Wellesley, Massachusetts.

MARRIAGES.

Jones—Sawyer. January 12, 1910, in South Bend, Indiana, Miss Adah Sawyer, 1909, to Mr. Victor Franklin Jones.

BIRTHS.

January 15, 1910, at Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts, a daughter to Mrs. Francis H. Stevens (Lydia Day, 1909).

February 1, 1910, at Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts, a daughter to Mrs. Ethel Hyde Stearns, of the class of 1903.

DEATHS.

December 14, 1909, at Reading, Massachusetts, Mrs. Dennison, mother of Grace Dennison Bancroft, 1897.

January 29, 1910, in New York City, Charles Montague, brother of Annie Sybil Montague, 1879, of the Department of Greek.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

Mrs. R. S. Paddock (Susanna E. Annin, 1909), 1020 Downing Street, Denver, Colorado.

Mrs. Allen B. Linn (Grace Rickey, 1893), 236 Turner Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Mrs. Ethel Stanwood Meyer, 1883-85, 2235 Aqueduct Avenue, University Heights, New York City.

Miss Ida E. Woods, 1893, 1096 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.

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